Government have not been considering Indian goods in the most favoured nation list; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government on such indiscriminate view of the Pakistani Government on Indian goods?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Pakistan has not extended MFN status to India. Government have taken up this issue with Pakistan, on several occasions and at various levels. As yet, Pakistan has not responded positively on this issue.

Law and order problem by unlicensed Establishments in National Capital Region

2488. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of hotels/restaurants in National Capital territory (Delhi) without a valid licence;

(b) the number of hotels and restaurants in Delhi functioning with temporary licence;

(c) what steps are being taken to regularise their licences;

(d) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to law and order problem created by these unlicensed establishments in the capital; and

(e) what steps are being taken by Government to contain this problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (PROF. M. KAMSON): (a) Four hundred and Sixty-four hotels/restaurants are running without a valid licence under the Delhi Police Act, 1978 in the National Capital Territory of Delhi.

(b) and (c) There being presently no Hotel/Restaurant in the National Capital Territory of Delhi which is functioning without a temporary licence, the need for regularisation of any temporary licence does not arise.

(d) and (e) As and when any hotel/restaurant is found running without a valid licence, the Proprietor/owner of the same is prosecuted u/s 28/112 of Delhi Police Act and a request for its closure is made to the concerned court of law.

प्रमुख पत्तनों का विकास करने की योजना

2489. **श्री सोमपाल:** क्या **जल-भूतल परिवहन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार के विचाराधीन देश के विभिन्न पत्तनों का विकास करने की कोई योजना है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) क्या सरकार विभिन्न पत्तन न्यासों को स्वायत्तशासी निगमों के रूप में बदलने और उन्हें बाजार से पूंजी उठाने की अनुमति देने पर विचार कर रही है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इसके पीछे क्या तर्क है और इस प्रयोजन के लिए कब तक कानूनी तथा अन्य आवश्यक कार्यवाही की जाएगी?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम० राजशेखर मूर्ति): (क) और (ख) जी हां। महापत्तनों का विकास एक सतत् प्रक्रिया है। इस प्रयोजनार्थ आठवी पंच वर्षीय योजना 1992—97 के दौरान 2984 करोड़ रु० का परिव्यय उपलब्ध करवाया गया है।

(ग) जी नहीं।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Preservation of Biodiversity

2490. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to an article in the Hindustan Times of 2nd December, 1995 in "Preserving biodiversity" the first ever comprehensive Report on the earth's biodiversity, issued by the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) in Washington;

(b) whether it is a fact that the loss of biological resources and diversity is posing threat to humanity's food supplies and sources of wood, medicines and energy, according to the Report; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government and steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir. United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has released a report captioned "Global Biodiversity Assessment."